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## AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the Office Action dated September 15, 2005 in connection with the above-identified patent application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows.